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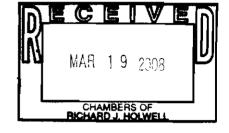
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## VIA FACSIMILE

The Honorable Richard J. Holwell United States District Judge United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street New York, NY 10007



Re:

United States v. Coleson et al., 07 Cr. 789 (RJH)

Dear Judge Holwell:

Pursuant to Your Honor's Order at the March 14, 2008, status conference, the Government respectfully submits this letter to advise the Court of the medical situation of Johnny Coleson, the defendant. According to defense counsel at the status conference, the defendant, who had surgery on his leg before he was remanded, has not been able to have his cask taken off by doctors at the Metropolitan Detention Center ("MDC"), where he is currently detained.

I spoke to Adam Johnson, a staff attorney at the MDC, who informed me that the MDC is aware of the defendant's medical situation. He advised me that the cask has not yet been taken off because it is necessary for the defendant to be examined by an orthopedic specialist and that, if the specialist deems it appropriate for the cask to be removed, the procedure would have to be performed by the specialist. I was further informed that the defendant would be examined by an orthopedic specialist no later than April 2, 2008.

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Respectfully submitted.

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